SUBJECT No. 292.

Annual inspection of Inam Registers maintained in Taluks by District and other Jamabandi Officers.

Mr. Amble Annaya Pandit, Mysore District Board.

Summary of discussion.—It is proposed that the Deputy Commissioners and the Assistant Commissioners may be requested to inspect, during the annual Jamabandi, the Inam Registers maintained in taluks respecting the Inams granted to chattrams and temples by His Highness the late Maharaja Sri Krishnaraja Wadeyar and see whether the charities are carried out according to the terms of the grant. These officers should note and report to Government for orders any irregularities in the above.

Reply of Government.—Irregularities of this kind, if any, must be enquired into by Deputy Commissioners and Jamabandi Officers and report submitted every year.

SUBJECT No. 293.

Vacant strips of land round temples to be maintained.

Mr. Krishna Iyengar, Turuvekere Sub-Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Owners of houses adjoining temples are in the habit of encroaching upon temple premises, and obstructing the open space round the temple for Pradakshinam. It is prayed therefore that an open space round temples may be kept reserved and enclosed by a compound wall.

Reply of Government.—Individual instances, if brought to notice, will be enquired into. It may not be possible in all cases to make transfers of property without compensation to the owners.

SUBJECT No. 294.

Formation of Muzrai Committees or Boards where they are necessary.

Messrs. Venkatappa, Chikka Narayana Reddy, and Venkataramaiya of Bagepalli Taluk.
Mr. Javali Ganesh Rao, Member, Kadur District Board.

Summary of discussion.—There are many Muzrai Institutions in the State which are endowed with Inam lands and cash Tasdik. A Muzrai Committee may be formed in each taluk with a view to see whether the purposes for which the endowments are granted are fulfilled or not, and the income and expenditure connected with these Institutions entrusted to the management of that Committee. The income of one temple should not be appropriated for the use of another temple or for any other purpose. It is proposed that in Institutions having a large income, religious Patasalas may be started for teaching Vedas, Upanishads, etc.

Reply of Government.—The question of forming District Committees was finally decided by Government in Government Order No. 763, dated 27th December 1897, as being undesirable. Taluk Committees also are unnecessary. All temple incomes are individualized and are generally spent for the benefit of those institutions.

SUBJECT No. 295.

Dharmadarsis to be authorized to receive, expend and lend moneys of Muzrai temples.

Messrs. Hutcheere Gowda, Gubbi Taluk, Singri Nanjappa, & V. Naranappa, Tumkur District Board.

Summary of discussion.—According to standing orders, all receipts of temples must be credited to Government, and funds required for the services of the temples are to be applied for and sanctioned by Government. This procedure involves delay and trouble. It is prayed that Dharmadarsis may be authorized to receive such contributions themselves, lend them on interest to borrowers upon bonds executed in favor of the temple, and meet the temple expenditure out of the interest accruing from such loans.